

FISCAL NOTE

SB 1822 - HB 1793

March 7, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits departments in state government from contracting with any entity, individual, or family member in matters related to custody, care, treatment, health, or safety of children in state custody if there is any conflict of interest or appearance of a conflict of interest.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- No additional tracking system required by the Department of Children's Services.
- State employees are already prohibited from contracting with the state.
- The *Brian A. v. Sundquist* settlement agreement prohibits judges and related court and agency personnel, who have control over children coming into state custody, from contracting or serving on boards of agencies that contract with the Department of Children's Services.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a stylized "W".

James W. White, Executive Director